MPAR WG FY06 Work Plan - Draft

- Develop a 'mission statement' for the REASoN (/ ACCESS) metrics
 - Supports Study Managers and HQ program management,
 - Supports objective evaluation of the REASoN (/ ACCESS) program, input to decision on program's future.
- Review the current set of metrics
 - Develop and agree on recommendations for changes to the metrics baseline;
 - Clarify, revise current metrics as needed; e.g. broaden some (4 and 3) to accommodate diversity of REASoN Projects.
 - Consider new metrics: service, optional project-unique, efficiency.
- Continue effort to develop rational and practical impact metrics, or use impact nuggets alone.
- Education metrics:
 - Conduct Survey
 - Rework of Metric 10

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- Engage the Study managers
 - Goal ensure they get what they need in a good form:
 - · Review proposed changes in metrics baseline
 - Review of report format for their ease-of-use.
- Develop Recommendation to HQ for changes to Metrics Baseline
- Develop an FY06 metrics data set based on the new baseline.
- Evaluate user satisfaction with REASoN Projects:
 - Answer question, do users see REASoN Projects as meeting their needs? Do REASoN Projects' products, services, tools help users do their work more effectively or efficiently? Optional participation by REASoN Projects
 - Tailor approach to characteristics of each REASoN Project:
 - E.g. Interviews with key users with specific focus?
 - E.g. Survey (piggy back on next DAAC survey?) users of REASoNs that serve a broad community?
- Add ACCESS activities (once awarded) to the MPAR WG,
 - Consider changes / extensions to metrics baseline to meet their needs, needs of their program managers.

Metrics System FY06 Work Plan – Draft

- Complete port to GSFC and make the new system operational.
- Add and test new features:
 - Excel import (option for this to be a means of normal reporting i.e. send
 REASoNs spreadsheet, they correct and add the new month's data and return?)
 - Re-do display format:
 - 1) Display standing or baseline comments.
 - 2) Display summary description of project.
 - 3) Restructure the format for user ease table form, perhaps multi-month or FY tables (Ideally, develop a format in consultation with Kathy, Rama, study managers to make sure that the system show users what they want to see in an easy to use form.)
 - Add REASoN comments to the Excel export.
 - Allow multi-month export, of single REASoN, or all REASoNs.
 - Add date of first entry and last update, to each record.
- Implement changes to the metric system per the new baseline, once it is approved.